IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In re application of: Albazz et al. Group Art Unit: 3621

Serial No.: 09/827,431 Examiner: Pierre E. Elisca

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For: System and Method for Generating a § Contract and Conducting Contractual

Activities Under the Contract

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE CUSTOMER NUMBER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0461. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

In response to the Final Office Action of July 3, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.